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Re:	Amendment filed 6-24-04	Date:	August 23, 2004
Your Ref:	U.S. Serial No. 09/881,763	Our Ref:	1509-189

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COMMENTS: Attached is a copy of the Amendment filed June 24, 2004, together with the PTO date-stamped postcard. Please contact me at 703-535-7080 if I can provide any additional documentation.

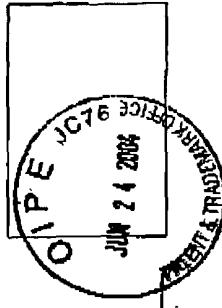
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 Serial No.: 09/881,763 : Art Unit: 2651
 Filed: June 18, 2001 : Examiner: G. Rodriguez
 For: SEARCHING FOR APPEND POINT IN DATA STORAGE DEVICE

Sir:

Attached is an AMENDMENT in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.
 Small-entity status of this application has been established.
 Also attached:

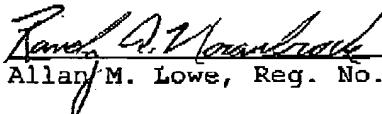
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 25, 2004 (Paper No. 5), the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application: